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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. §371

U.S. APPLICATION NO.

(if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)

10/590,706

International Application No.
PCT/JP2005/003417International Filing Date
February 23, 2005Priority Date Claimed
February 27, 2004

Title of Invention

LASER WELDING METHOD

Applicant(s) For DO/EO/US

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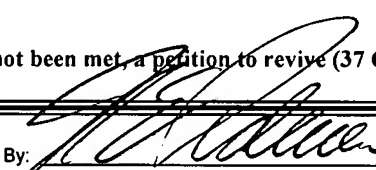
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☐ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. §371.
2. ☒ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. §371.
3. ☐ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. §371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. §371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. ☐ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☐ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(2))
 - a. ☐ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
6. ☐ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(2)).
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(3)).
 - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19.
9. ☒ An (EXECUTED) oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(4)). **ATTACHMENT F**
10. ☐ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 14. below concern other document(s) or information included:

11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. **ATTACHMENT G**
12. ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. **ATTACHMENT H**
13. ☐ A FIRST preliminary amendment.
☐ A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
14. ☒ Other items or information:
 - Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) - **ATTACHMENT I**

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| U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/590,706 | | INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2005/003417 | | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NO. 2006-1404A | |
| 15. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted | | | | CALCULATIONS | PTO USE ONLY |
| Basic National Stage Fee \$300.00 National Stage Search Fee (International Search Report provided - 37 CFR 1.492(b)(2)) \$400.00 National Stage Examination Fee \$200.00 Specification/drawings in excess of 100 pages (units of 50 x \$250.00) = \$ | | | | | |
| ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT = | | | | | |
| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). | | | | \$130.00 | |
| Claims | Number Filed | Number Extra | Rate | | |
| Total Claims | - 20 = | | X \$50.00 | \$ | |
| Independent Claims | - 3 = | | X \$200.00 | \$ | |
| Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable) | | | + \$360.00 | \$ | |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = | | | | \$130.00 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Status is hereby asserted. Above fees are reduced by 1/2. | | | | \$ | |
| SUBTOTAL = | | | | \$130.00 | |
| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). | | | | + \$ | |
| TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = | | | | \$ | |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property + | | | | \$40.00 | |
| TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = | | | | \$170.00 | |
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| a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$170.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed. A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed. b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. 23-0975 in the amount of \$_____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. | | | | | |
| NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status. | | | | | |
| 19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS <div style="text-align: center;"> CUSTOMER NO. 000513 </div> | | | By:  Nils E. Pedersen, Registration No. 33,145 WENDEROTH, LIND & PONACK, L.L.P. 2033 "K" Street, N.W., Suite 800 Washington, D.C. 20006-1021 Phone: (202) 721-8200 Fax: (202) 721-8250 May 17, 2007 | | |

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 08/25/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 08/25/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 08/25/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 08/25/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 08/25/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 08/25/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 08/25/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 08/25/2006
- Specification filed on 08/25/2006
- Claims filed on 08/25/2006
- Abstracts filed on 08/25/2006
- Drawings filed on 08/25/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the international application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the

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missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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